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NRO - CIA Role in Satellite Program

Memo for DCI, DDCI

sub: Dissolution of the CORONA Project Office

1. The CORONA program has been handled from its beginning by a group of about [REDACTED] AF officers in the "Program 162 Office" at the Space Systems Division of the Air Force. This group under [REDACTED] and now [REDACTED] has handled the day to day problems associated with COR as the directive authority has changed from RMB to Charyk to McMillan.

2. McMillan has twice requested that we concur in his transfer of this unit to Gen Greer's special unit under his immediate control (SAFSP) as part of his plan to give the entire program to the AF. Yo8 have twice disapproved this proposal.

3. We now have cables indicating that the Program 162 Office is to be dissolved and its people transferred elsewhere. Its function is to be recreated under Gen Greer's SAFSP organization as the Program 241 Office under [REDACTED]

4. The significance of this action is that perforce the program is being transferred to Greer without our concurrence.

/s/ Albert D. Wheelon

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NRO review(s) completed.